

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A computer implemented system that facilitates processing credentials between remote entities, comprising~~[[:]] a computer memory having stored thereon~~ the following components ~~stored in memory executable by a processor: [[:]]~~

a wrapper that packages credentials associated with resources of a service, wherein the service is a platform provisioning service associated with at least one partner, the platform provisioning service and the partner maintain an account to process the credentials, the at least one of the platform provisioning service and the partner employ a Universal Resource Locator (URL) to present the credentials to the account; and

a cryptographic wrapping key generated from a pass-phrase, the cryptographic wrapping key is utilized to generate a the wrapper that encapsulates the credentials, the pass-phrase employed to facilitate access to the credentials, the credentials employed to provide encrypted communication between a remote user and the service that facilitates access to the resources of the service, and the pass-phrase distributed separately from the credentials.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Original) The system of claim 1, the credentials providing stronger encryption than the pass-phrase.

4. (Original) The system of claim 3, the credentials providing greater than 100 bits of encryption.

5. (Original) The system of claim 3, the pass-phase having human-readable alpha-numeric characteristics.

6. (Original) The system of claim 1, further comprising one or more partners to request access to the resources.
7. (Original) The system of claim 6, at least one of the partners includes a credential store to manage the credentials.
8. (Original) The system of claim 7, the at least one partner distributes the credentials to at least one other partner in order to facilitate access to the resources of the service.
9. (Original) The system of claim 1, the pass-phase is at least one of spoken, displayed on a screen and typed.
10. (Original) The system of claim 1, further comprising at least one of a Secure Socket Layer (SSL), a Virtual Private Network (VPN), and a dedicated line to establish connections to the service.
11. (Original) The system of claim 10, further comprising a remote login utilizing a basic authentication over the SSL.
12. (Original) The system of claim 10, further comprising at least one SSL certificate to establish connections to the service.
13. (Cancelled)
14. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1, ~~the platform provisioning service associated with at least one partner,~~ the partner including at least one of a tenant and a service provider to form at least one of a billing, a financial, and an accounting service.
15. (Original) The system of claim 14, the partner employs the pass-phrase to unlock the credentials and achieve access to the platform provisioning services.

16. (Cancelled)

17. (Cancelled)

18. (Currently Amended) A method to facilitate a security connection between remote entities, comprising:

- generating a strong password via a random generation function associated with a standard platform;

- generating a human-readable pass-phrase;

- deriving a wrapping key from the pass-phrase;

- wrapping the password cryptographically *via* the pass-phrase, wherein the wrapping key facilitates in encapsulating the password in a wrapper;

- storing the wrapped password in an executable; ~~and~~
transmitting the executable and the pass-phrase to a remote user system separately *via* different communications mediums, wherein the remote user employs the pass-phrase to unlock the strong password stored in the executable, the strong password employed to establish a trust relationship with an entity; and

- requesting a Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) connection, presenting an SSL certificate in response to the request, verifying an SSL certificate, requesting a Universal Resource Locator (URL) from a listener, presenting authentication credentials to a receiver, or logging in a caller to an account.

19- 22. (Cancelled)

23. (Original) The method of claim 18, further comprising limiting access to the executable.

24. (Original) The method of claim 18, further comprising at least one of:

- setting up account privileges;

- designating account contacts; and

- verifying the contacts.

25. (Original) The method of claim 24, further comprising verbally communicating the pass-phrase.

26. (Original) The method of claim 25, further comprising transmitting and storing the password and the pass-phrase separately.

27. (Currently Amended) A computer implemented system to that facilitates a security relationship between parties, comprising[:]] ~~a computer processor for executing the following means stored in computer memory[:]]~~

means for generating credentials comprising at least a password;

means for generating a pass-phrase;

means for generating a package of credentials by wrapping the credentials with a cryptographic wrapping key derived from the pass-phrase, wherein the credentials are encapsulated by the wrapper, the credentials are associated with resources of a platform provisioning service associated with at least one partner, the platform provisioning service and the partner maintain an account to process the credentials, the at least one of the platform provisioning service and the partner employ a Universal Resource Locator (URL) to present the credentials to the account;

means for transmitting the package and the pass-phrase to a system *via* different communications mediums; and

means for storing the credentials separate from the pass-phrase.

28-30. (Canceled)

31. (Currently Amended) A system that facilitates ~~to~~ establishing a trust relationship between entities, comprising[:]] a computer memory having stored thereon the following components executable by a processor[:]]

a service that controls one or more resources, the service issues credentials to facilitate access to the resources, wherein the service is a platform provisioning service associated with at least one partner, the platform provisioning service and the partner maintain an account to

process the credentials, the at least one of the platform provisioning service and the partner employ a Universal Resource Locator (URL) to present the credentials to the account; and

a wrapper generated from a pass-phrase, by the service to package the credentials, the credentials encapsulated in the wrapper, the pass-phrase employed to mediate access to the service, the pass-phrase distributed separately from the credentials.

32. (Original) The system of claim 31, the service is a provisioning service that establishes a trust relationship between one or more partners *via* the credentials.

33. (Cancelled)